IN BROOKLYN MEET

Melvin Sheppard Trails in 1.000 Yard Run, While Kramer Quits in 3 Miles.

SCHOOL RELAY THRILLS

Moore and Trenholm Snatch a Victory for De Witt Clinton-Bicycle Record.

> oliege was a pioneer in ath-ay by cunning off the first ever held under the auspless a the Berough of Brooklyn. and spirited competitions a great success, although of the champions entered two of the champions entered ones anything like the form they she of All Brooklyn seemed to be games, which were held in the atmosy of the Fourteenth Registrouteenth street and Eighth Among the interested spectators hap McDonnell, Borough Presises, John H. McCooey and nearly en prominent in the government rough.

sheppard was the first champion a disappointment. He started we yards behind scratch in the and handleap and at no time the vim that has made his name all over the world. Oliver de who was placed on scratch beparats entry was received, out-Irish American from the crack istol and finished in second place, is behind for Remains, who had ds behind Joe Bromilow, who had wance of lifteen yards. Sheppard far behind at the finish that ny beat him about fifteen yards in

as the scratch man in the three handicap. He quit after cover-miles and without getting any-ear the leaders. There was a strsh in this race, R. Springstein, for nearly the whole distance, beed in the last lap by W. P. Horter latter sailed by in the back of the thial lap only to have

TWO CHAMPIONS FAIL BRITONS WHO WILL TRY TO WIN BACK THE POLO TROPHY FROM AMERICA THORPE SIGNS HIS



STROBINO AWAY IN FRONT AT 10 MILES

Marathoner Takes the Measure of Harry Smith in Battery A's Games.

WALKERS ARE CRITICISED

Pace of Many Competitors Looks Much Like "Lifting" to the Spectators.

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JIM THORPE SIGNING GIANT CONTRACT



NEW YORK CONTRACT

Pleased That He Is to Do Battle Under the Banner of John McGraw.

BADER ON DECK ALSO

Indian Will Go to Marlin With the Others-Prefers the Outfield.

Two more players signed with the Giants yesterday. One was Louis Bader, the young pitcher; the other was James Thorpe, the young Indian. Of the two performances that of Thorpe attracted the more attention. The peerless athlete, chaperoned by Glenn Warner, his guide, philosopher and friend, arrived early in the morning from Carlisle, and on the same day that his prizes as amateur athlete were being returned to Sweden affixed his name to the document which will give him a fat stipend as a ball player.

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The fact that his trophies were being returned didn't seem to perturb Thorpe any and he did seem to be greatly pleased with having enlisted under the banner of McGraw. The first thing he did was to sign the contract which Secretary Foster presented to him and then he waited until his new boss, McGraw, arrived, which was an hour or so after Mac had had his dejeuner, dejeuner being Indian for breakfast. For a greater part of the day the offices of the New York club were filled with fans, rooters, bugs and nuts. Thorpe was the reason. Those who tried to break into conversation with Thorpe found it a difficult job, for the red man is a taciturn chap, but cheerful and smiling, and confining himself chiefly to a listening part. He did say, however, that of the different positions he has played on the ball field he preferred the outfield. Also he said that he was a free agent all right, that no club had any claim on him and that no contract was tendered him by the league with which he played in 1910 after that season. Thorpe's name did appear on the reserve list of the Fayetteville club, but the league became defunct. Furthermore, McGraw had assurance yesterday from the National Board that Thorpe was a free agent.

"I never saw Thorpe play ball much,"

The Carlisle Thorpe played football on

the Carlisle eleven in the fall of 1911 and 1912, and it may be that it was another Thorpe who lived in Trenton, Mo., and signed a contract in December, 1911.

NAVY AMONG THE ELECT.

In Front Rank by Beating Lehigh. Who Beat Cornell.

Annapolis, Md., Feb. 1.—On the strength of a win from Lehigh this afternoon, 56 to 17, the friends of the Naval Academy basketball team feel that it has Academy basketball team feel that it has established a foremost position among Eastern teams, Lehigh having won from Cornell, the leaders of the Intercollegiate League. The Navy's title to the Southern championship is clear, owing to its victory over Catholic University. For only about five minutes this affernor, 444. about five minutes this afternoon did Le-high play on even terms with the midship-men, and then the speedy work of the latter and the accurate shooting of Smith. McKee and McReavey began to pile up the points at a rapid rate. Late in the game the superior condition of the Navy lads was noticeable, and the visitors were not in the same class.

The linup: Navy. Positions
McKee Lets forward
Smith Right forward
McReavey Centre
Hall Lets guard
Right guard. Crichion
White
Muthart
Price
Green Score—Navy, 56; Lehigh, 17. Substitutes—Cochran for McReavey, Cook for McKee, Whitney for Muthart, Muthart for Green, Cole for Price. Goals from field—McReavey, 9; Smith, 6; McKee, 4; Hall, 2; Wild; Cochran, White, 3; Muthart, 9. Goals from foul—McKee, 10; Muthart, 7. Referee—Collflower, Georgetown.

Bender Signs for Eleventh Time. PHILADELPHIA. Feb. 1.—Chief Bender to-day personally presented his signed contract for 1913 to Manager Connie

Mack of the Athletics, by this action making the eleventh consecutive season that Bender has been a member of the local American League team. He looks to be in fine fettle. Eddie Plank now is ber of Mack's veterans who